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In re application of

: Confirmation No. 2860

Shunichi SHIOZAWA et al.

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METHOD FOR DIAGNOSING RHEUMATOID
ARTHRITIS

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Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a two month extension of time to respond to the communication of
April 24, 2002.

The fee of \$400.00 is

(X) submitted herewith.

() to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is
enclosed.

() Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37
CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which

() is enclosed.

() has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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